

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PH 06-009**

The Tennessee Division of Water Pollution Control will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, **October 18, 2006 at 7:00 P. M. CST** at Sumner County's executive/administration building, 355 North Belvedere Drive, Gallatin, TN. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit public comment regarding an application by MidWestern Gas Transmission for Aquatic Resource Alteration Permits pursuant to the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* for the proposed construction of a 30.9 mile eastern gas pipeline extension from Portland to Hartsville, NRS05.426.

MidWestern Gas Transmission is seeking a permit that would authorize stream and wetlands alterations in the proposed alignment. These alterations would impact numerous streams including West Fork Drake's Creek, Grace Creek, Donahoe Branch, Dry Fork, Whitson Branch, East Fork and temporarily impact 4.715 acres of wetlands.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposal are invited to deliver oral or written comment at the public hearing. The hearing officer will limit all testimony to relevant water quality issues and may limit testimony in the interest of time, however, all persons desiring to speak will be afforded an opportunity to do so. Written testimony will be accepted for 10 days following the hearing and will be considered part of the official record. The public is also invited to submit comments in writing to the Division of Water Pollution Control at the address printed below. The comments must be received by October 30, 2006. After considering all public comments, the Division will publish a final permit decision and a notice of the Division's determinations.

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation is committed to principles of equal opportunity, equal access and affirmative action. Contact the Department's EEO/AA Coordinator at 615-532-0103 or the ADA Coordinator, Issac Okoreeh-Baah for further information. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service, 1-800-848-0298.

The permit application and supporting documentation are available for review at the Division office during business hours at the following address:

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